

Real Estate Fraud

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES

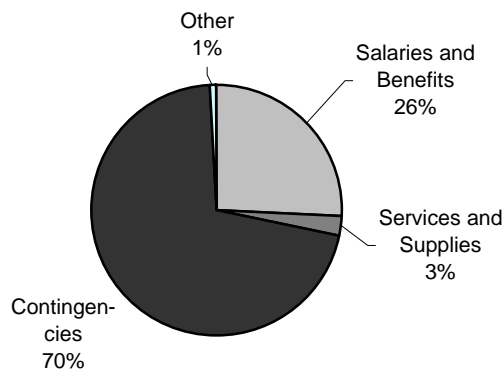
On January 23, 1996, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 96-14 to allow the county to collect, pursuant to Government Code Section 27388, a \$2 fee upon recording documents. These monies, in accordance with state law, are used to fund the Real Estate Fraud unit that investigates and prosecutes real estate fraud crimes in the county.

BUDGET AND WORKLOAD HISTORY

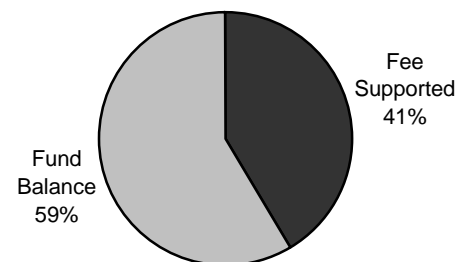
	Actual 2003-04	Budget 2004-05	Estimate 2004-05	Proposed 2005-06
Appropriation	736,799	2,850,865	978,513	3,768,329
Departmental Revenue	1,529,895	1,200,000	1,532,662	1,563,315
Fund Balance		1,650,865		2,205,014
Budgeted Staffing		8.0		8.0

Estimated Appropriation is less than Budgeted Appropriation due to no Contingencies being expended. Proposed Appropriation is increasing due to increases in Salaries and Benefits and Contingencies.

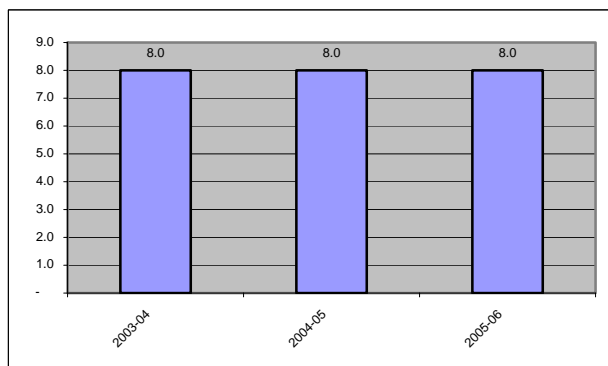
2005-06 BREAKDOWN BY EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY



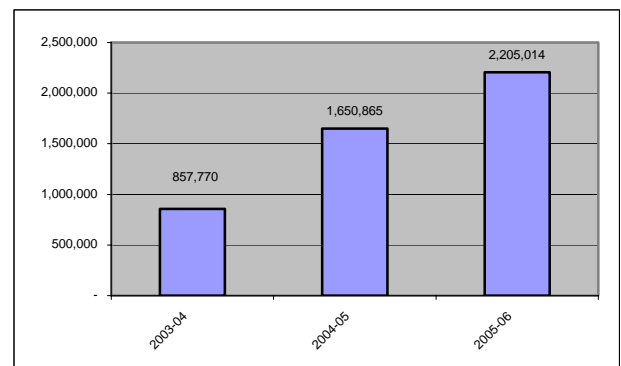
2005-06 BREAKDOWN BY FINANCING SOURCE



2005-06 STAFFING TREND CHART



2005-06 FUND BALANCE TREND CHART



GROUP: Law & Justice
DEPARTMENT: District Attorney
FUND: Real Estate Fraud

BUDGET UNIT: REB DAT
FUNCTION: Public Safety
ACTIVITY: Real Estate Fraud

ANALYSIS OF 2005-06 BUDGET

	A	B	C	D	B+C+D E	F Department Recommended Funded Adjustments (Schedule A)	E+F G
	2004-05 Year-End Estimates	2004-05 Final Budget	Cost to Maintain Current Program Services	Board Approved Adjustments	Board Approved Base Budget		2005-06 Proposed Budget
Appropriation							
Salaries and Benefits	855,266	859,426	59,997	-	919,423	50,137	969,560
Services and Supplies	85,340	106,307	1,507	-	107,814	(7,232)	100,582
Central Computer	4,907	-	5,576	-	5,576	-	5,576
Transfers	33,000	34,786	-	-	34,786	(859)	33,927
Contingencies	-	1,850,346	-	-	1,850,346	808,338	2,658,684
Total Appropriation	978,513	2,850,865	67,080	-	2,917,945	850,384	3,768,329
Departmental Revenue							
Current Services	1,532,662	1,200,000	-	-	1,200,000	363,315	1,563,315
Total Revenue	1,532,662	1,200,000	-	-	1,200,000	363,315	1,563,315
Fund Balance		1,650,865	67,080	-	1,717,945	487,069	2,205,014
Budgeted Staffing		8.0	-	-	8.0	-	8.0

Increases in Cost to Maintain Current Program Services include increased costs for MOU, worker's compensation, and retirement; as well as increases in Risk Management premiums. Costs for central computer have increased due to direct billing to budget unit by ISD.

This special revenue fund balance is growing, as revenue is currently outpacing expenses; and all revenue received is restricted for the prosecution of real estate fraud. Although the department added an additional attorney on a full time basis in 2003-04, the department is committed to reviewing this unit in 2005-06 to determine if additional staff is warranted.

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SCHEDULE A

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDED FUNDED ADJUSTMENTS

Brief Description of Program Adjustment	Budgeted Staffing	Appropriation	Departmental Revenue	Fund Balance
1. Increase Salaries and Benefits Increased costs for benefits and step increases.	-	50,137	-	50,137
2. Decrease Service and Supplies Reduce operating expenses to allow for direct billing of ISD 2410 charges and to compensate for increase in Risk Management Premiums. ISD now directly bills this budget unit for 2410 charges. In prior years, charges were billed to the DA's general fund budget and department staff would make monthly adjustments. The direct billing of the 2410 charges is reflected in "Cost to Maintain Current Program Services."	-	(7,232)	-	(7,232)
3. Decrease Transfers Reduction in transfer for rent based on recalculation of actual space occupied by unit staff.	-	(859)	-	(859)
4. Increase Contingencies Real Estate recording fees in the county continue at record pace because of thriving economy. Revenue coming in outpaces expenses of the unit allowing for an increase in contingencies. Money placed in contingencies require Board approval to use.	-	808,338	-	808,338
5. Increase Revenue Increased revenue projection is based on current trends allowing for a 2% increase.	-	-	363,315	(363,315)
Total	-	850,384	363,315	487,069

